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Relatives and friends participate in Family Weekend events

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

It's just another day for Salisbury University student Chelsea Thomas, who watches her Camden-area neighborhood swell with families and friends of students this time of year for the annual Family Weekend, held Oct. 2-4.

"I've lived in this area my whole life, but just this year I'm getting to experience the events with my family," she said.

As a transfer student from Wor-Wic Community College, the Family Weekend experience is more exciting for Thomas, as she and her parents are finally able to participate.

"It seemed really well-organized and we definitely had our expectations met," added Thomas' mother Kathy.

All of the planning that goes into making the weekend successful can be attributed to a team that includes fac-

ulty and student volunteers, who begin the planning process in the spring of the previous year.

"The Assistant Dean for Parent Programs [Kristen Kazmerek] as well as the Parents Association work closely together in planning," said Marie Bradford of New Student Experience.

There are many groups that must coordinate for the weekend to be a success, including dining services and student-run organizations that help with hosting events.

"The area businesses all have Salisbury's yearly calendar so they know when something is going on and to be prepared," Bradford said.

Activities this year included an invitation-only LegacyBreakfast for alumni who now I have children attending SU, the football game against The Apprentice School, and a student showcase highlighting the SU Step

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Patrick Morris photo

Freshman Aanchal Singh and her grandmother Tara Singh pause for a photo op during the ice cream social on Saturday, Oct. 4 during Family Weekend.



Patrick Morris photo

Wicomico County Sheriff Mike Lewis answers questions during the SU College Republicans meeting on Wednesday in the Fireside Lounge.

Sheriff Lewis shares stories at SU College Republicans meeting

By Vanessa Junkin
Editor-in-Chief

On Wednesday, Sept. 30, Wicomico County Sheriff and former Maryland State Trooper Mike Lewis joined the SU College Republicans at their meeting, where he discussed his experiences and took time to answer the group's questions.

Prior to his election in November 2006, Lewis spent 22 years as a Maryland State Trooper.

Lewis noted four out of five serious crimes in the U.S. require the use of an automobile. When police officers carefully observe what's going on at traffic stops, he said, they sometimes find criminals because of overly nervous mannerisms.

"I think it's important that we never cease to abolish traffic stops," Lewis said.

He said on Sept. 11, 2001, one of his fellow troopers had stopped one of the 19 terrorists for speeding on Interstate 95. After writing a citation, he explained, there was no reason for Trooper Joe Catalano to keep the man stopped, and the person went on to hijack one of the planes.

Lewis also cited a different traffic stop where dead bodies and thousands of dollars were found in a car.

People smuggling untaxed cigarettes can also be caught at traffic stops, Lewis said. He added that sometimes, the profits from illegally selling cigarettes in the north go towards acts of terrorism.

The first accident Lewis went to

as a trooper was a drunken driving crash where a woman killed her five-year-old, he said, and a week later he went to another site where a drunk father had killed his five-year-old son in a crash.

"That really, really made me just want to lock up every drunk driver I found on the road," Lewis said of his experiences.

Lewis brought up the new law against texting and driving in Maryland, adding that doing so is very dangerous.

"We have lost so many lives here in the state of Maryland due to texting," Lewis said.

Lewis expressed his view that all people who are not felons should be able to carry guns, and also discussed some rules concerning guns.

"If someone breaks into your home and you're in fear for your life or the lives of your loved ones, you not only have a right, but you have a duty and a responsibility to protect yourself and to protect your family. And that includes you have a right to shoot and kill," he explained, noting that the intruder doesn't have to be physically inside the home as long as there is that fear.

Next to speak was current Mayor of Pocomoke City Mike McDermott, who is seeking a spot in the Maryland House of Delegates for 2010. He invited SU College Republicans to attend his fundraiser, which took place Saturday, for free. He said next year will be a great one.

"This is an opportunity for this generation to rise up and decide ex-

SEE Sheriff Pg. 2

Disability History and Awareness Month begins

By Meredith Meads
Staff Writer

Sponsored by the Office of Student Disability Support Services, the Provost's Office and the Diversity Office, Disability History and Awareness Month commenced last Thursday with Rita Campbell's lecture titled "An Introduction to Deaf Culture."

The event was designed to promote awareness of Deaf culture in America. Campbell spoke on four major topics throughout the presentation including language, values, rules of behavior and traditions.

Campbell, who teaches a course in American Sign Language, was born Deaf. She attended a Deaf school for her elementary through high school education and graduated from Gal-

laudet University. She has taught for 25 years, 13 of which have been at SU. During her presentation, SU student Alessa Rash interpreted for those in the audience who did not know sign language.

In celebrating Disability History and Awareness Month, the state universities of Maryland have been asked to join in activities that "provide education, awareness and understanding of disability history, people with disabilities, and the disability rights movement," according to the executive order by Governor Martin O'Malley.

For Campbell, this month is a time to bring awareness where there are often misconceptions.

"Many things contribute to what kind of person you are," she said.

"Deaf culture is very unique. You can't identify a Deaf person right away, but we really have our own culture and our own world."

Throughout the presentation, Campbell tried to show how many of the aspects of Deaf culture have made their way into the hearing world – the football huddle, for example. Students at Gallaudet University, Campbell's alma mater, were not able to call out plays to each other on the football field during games. Instead, they stood together in a "huddle" to sign to each other the next play of the game. Now, the huddle is a universal aspect of the game originally used by deaf athletes.

Though many would consider the Deaf community disabled, they feel

SEE Deaf Culture Pg. 2

Ground breaks for new Perdue School of Business

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

Salisbury University President Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach, along with members of the University Advancement Team, the Perdue family and other staff and local public figures put on their hard hats for the official groundbreaking of the new Franklin P. Perdue School of Business Building on Tuesday, Sept. 29. SU staff, students, alumni and community members gathered together to witness this milestone in University history and celebrate the school's success.

"It's days like this that remind me that I have the best job of any other university president, or even the best [job] ever," Dudley-Eshbach said.

Planning for the building has been underway since 2005 and it is scheduled to be completed in fall 2011.

The \$56 million project will serve as a new home for the nationally-recognized business program and will provide students with state-of-the-art technology for their educational needs. With the most degree-seeking students, the new Perdue School will provide business majors the necessary tools to succeed in the program.

"Thanks to the Perdues, we find ourselves in the fortunate position to continue on this path of excellence," said Interim Dean of the Perdue

School Dr. Richard Hoffman.

The three-story building will include a 200-seat auditorium, specialized labs, team study rooms, 20 classrooms dedicated to business programs, 63 faculty offices, a student business organizations outreach center and a student services center.

"The new [Perdue School of Business] building seems like it's going to be really cool," said accounting and finance major Bobby Coover. "I'm excited for it to open up to stu-

dents."

Funding for the project has come from both public and private sources, but a large portion came from the Arthur W. Perdue Foundation, which donated \$8 million for the construction of a new home for the business school.

"Dad would be very proud today for what this school has accomplished," Jim Perdue said.

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President Janet Dudley-Eshbach, Perdue School of Business Interim Dean Richard Hoffman and Managing and Marketing Department Chair Frank Shipper break ground for the new Perdue School.

Briefly Stated

"Stop the GAME" Lecture

Hip Hop Dating Coach Jeff Carroll will lead a lecture discussion entitled "Stop the GAME" on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Wicomico Room. Sponsored by the Union of African American Students and the Office of Multicultural Student Services, Carroll will be discussing his "Hip Hop Dating Codes" which promotes healthy dating, encourages marriage and brings an end to the "game."

Washington, D.C. Bus Trip

SU students and community members are invited on a day-long bus trip sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs Friday, Oct. 16 to the Egyptian Embassy, the Sultan Qaboos Cultural Center of Oman and the Islamic Center of Washington, D.C. followed by a visit to The Freer Gallery's "Arts of the Islamic World" exhibit. The display highlights religious and secular architecture as well as calligraphy, illustration, bookbinding, ceramics, textiles, ivory and woodwork. Dinner will be held at the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia. Tickets are \$40 for SU students; \$60 for faculty, staff and alumni; and \$110 for community members. Tickets are available at the Guerrieri University Center Information Desk.

Tubman Sculpture Lecture

Dr. Jim Hill of SU's Art Department and the creator of the new Harriet Tubman sculpture will share his insights on the process during "Making the Harriet Tubman Sculpture," a part of the Fulton School of Liberal Arts Brown Bag Lunch Discussion Series at noon Wednesday, Oct. 7 in TETC Room 156. Hill will explain the process of enlarging, modeling and mold-making as well as the foundry work involved in creating the product. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Discounted Zac Brown Band Tickets

The Zac Brown Band is coming to the Wicomico County Civic Center on Oct. 15 at 7 p.m. and SOAP will be selling tickets to SU students for \$5 on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge. Two tickets per person. Gull Cards must be presented. Come early; tickets are limited. Cash or check only.

"Tyler Perry's Laugh to Keep from Crying" Play

"Tyler Perry's Laugh to Keep from Crying" will be playing at the Wicomico Civic Center on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 7:30 p.m. Discounted Tickets are available for SU students to purchase on Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 5 p.m. outside of the Student Activities Office (GUC 125). Tickets cost \$15 per person. There is a limited quantity available and they will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. One ticket will be sold for each SU student ID. Cash or check only. Transportation is not provided.

Blackwell Library Hosts Exhibit on First Amendment

Blackwell Library hosts Libraries and the First Amendment, a new exhibit provided by the Chicago-based McCormick Freedom Museum that explores the library's role in enabling and protecting First Amendment freedoms.

Libraries provide access to information about countless subjects to widely diverse audiences, making occasional controversy almost inevitable. They can be the setting for raucous controversy, especially relating to freedom of speech and the First Amendment.

This exhibit, which runs through October, examines timeless and relevant topics that speak to all Americans. In addition to the main exhibit, which is composed of a display board of how our world would look if we lost our First Amendment rights, there are quotations from important leaders on the importance of the First Amendment hanging throughout the building and thought-provoking tabletop stands. The companion Web exhibit, www.FreedomInLibraries.org, invites online viewers to explore specific controversies, vote on key issues and add their voice to a larger, national discussion.

SU College Republicans listen to Lewis



Patrick Morris photo

Wicomico County Sheriff and former Maryland State Trooper Mike Lewis (left corner) talks with the SU College Republicans. He discussed various topics relating to crime. On Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 7 p.m., the SU College Republicans will host Maryland GOP Chairman Jim Pelura in the Fireside Lounge.

Lewis

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actly where you're going to lead us as a country," McDermott said.

Lewis emphasized his support for McDermott.

Even though Lewis is a Republican, he said as sheriff, he represents everyone in Wicomico County. He also noted that he loves seeing students engaged and involved.

"It warms my heart to see this

many young men and women sitting around this room right now," Lewis said.

SU College Republicans President Matt Tefteau, a senior, said Lewis was very willing to come speak at SU.

"He's come in years past and he's always just been a great speaker," Tefteau said.

Senior Nicole Rimland, a member of the SU College Republicans who attended the event, said it was a good chance to ask questions.

"Certain questions were asked that I never would have thought to ask, especially about the guns," Rimland said.

SU College Republicans Advisor Dr. Dave Parker also attended.

"Both [Mike Lewis'] talk and Mike McDermott's talk were designed, and I think effective in pointing out that there are a lot of good reasons that Republicans should be elected, and should run for office, and should succeed," Parker said.

Crime Beat

09/18/09-09/21/09
7 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unattended bicycle from the Manokin bike barn.

09/22/09

7:01 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Missing Child

A complainant reported that she became separated from her young child on campus. The child was located by bystanders.

09/23/09

2 p.m.

Theft of Services

A taxi driver reported that he delivered a patron to the Commons Building. Upon arrival, the patron fled without paying the fare. The patron was subsequently identified and payment was made.

09/24/09

1 a.m. - 1:10 a.m.

Verbal Dispute/Intimidation University Police investigated an argument between roommates in Chester Hall. A report of the incident was forwarded to Housing and Residence Life and the Office of Student Affairs for review.

09/23/09-09/25/09

10 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.

Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unattended bicycle from the Manokin bike barn.

09/26/09

1:45 a.m.

Alcohol Related Illness/Underage Consumption

University Police were called to Choptank Hall to assist with an intoxicated student, who was unconscious and unresponsive. The student was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

09/26/09

1 a.m.

Sexual Assault

A student reported to the University Police that she was sexually assaulted by an acquaintance at an off-campus location. The incident is under investigation by the Salisbury Police Department.

09/27/09

11:54 a.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property University Police Officers observed a man smash a window of a vehicle in the Maintenance Building parking lot. The man was apprehended and criminally charged.

9/25/09-09/28/09

2 p.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property Someone drew graffiti upon an exterior door on Fulton Hall.

Perdue

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Founded in 1986, the Perdue School of Business was SU's first endowed school and has helped make Salisbury a Maryland University of National Distinction.

"Thanks to the Perdue family for the investment on our educational facilities," said chair of the Maryland House of Delegates Appropriations Committee Norm Conway. "Expanding knowledge for young people is what education's all about."

The 112,800 square foot building will be located along Rt. 13, opposite of Henson Science Hall. In keeping with SU's commitment to maintaining environmentally friendly facilities, the University will be pursuing a LEED Gold Certification for the new Perdue School building. With the use of recycled materials and a partial geothermal HVAC system, the water and energy usage will be reduced. Fifteen percent of the paved area where the parking lot was previously located will also be returned to grass.

"I applaud the ongoing effort of our faculty and staff," Dudley-Eshbach said. "Thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

PACE co-founder discusses civic trends

By Rosemary McCann
Staff Writer

Retired Salisbury University professor Dr. Harry Basehart gave a lecture Sept. 30 on a paper co-authored by himself and Dr. Pete Nagler. The lecture addressed the four generational groups in America, each generation's specific patterns of political engagement and civic involvement and a possible new trend in the youngest age group (which includes SU's current students) of shifting involvement from duty-based citizenship to engaged citizenship.

This lecture is part of a series celebrating its sponsoring organization the Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement's tenth anniversary. Basehart co-founded PACE with Dr. Francis Kane.

Basehart told the audience that this trend is especially important to address because it reflects a change of cultural emphasis from more traditional forms of political engagement, such as service in the military and exercising voting priv-

ileges, to non-traditional expressions of public service — forming a concerted effort to understand differing cultural and individual opinions and an increase in outreach to disadvantaged groups.

Dr. Basehart kept the audience involved, garnering the occasional laugh with a small joke highlighting a particular point. Afterward, he spoke to several students further about the content of his presentation and the implications it had for SU students.

Basehart acknowledged that college students are one of the least politically involved groups in America but have begun to show more interest.

"These are just impressions," he said. "But my impression is that over the past eight or so years, there has been an increasing interest in politics. I don't know if [SU] is more involved than other campuses but I am impressed with the number of students who are politically active."

Students attending the lecture received advice from Basehart on

how to become more politically active.

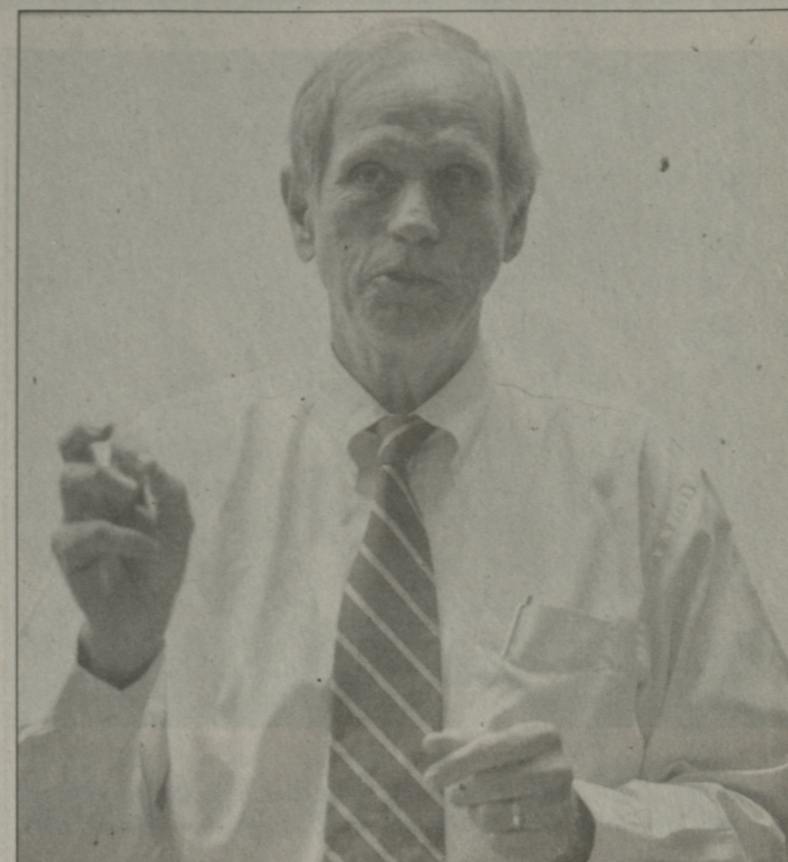
"An individual acting with other people can make a difference," he said. "If one person recycles that's good, but it will not make a difference, but if you and one other person recycle that can make a difference."

The implication of Basehart's advice is that a person's civic duty is to perform good works, and a person's political duty is to influence local political offices to take up the cause of those same good works.

"I thought that this lecture had excellent information about the voting patterns of the four different generations and the changing involvement [of these groups]," said Ginie Lynch, Managing Director of PACE.

The next event in this series is a panel of recent SU graduates returning Wednesday, Oct. 14 to address the topic "Engaged Students in a New Century."

SU students and the public are welcome to attend.



Patrick Morris photo

Dr. Basehart discusses generational groups in America and citizenship at Wednesday's lecture on civic trends, sponsored by PACE.

Outdoor Club mountain bikes with kids



Submitted photo

Members of the Salisbury University Outdoor Club get ready to ride bikes with children outside of the Lower Shore Family YMCA in Pocomoke. Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day, sponsored by the International Mountain Biking Association, took place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3.

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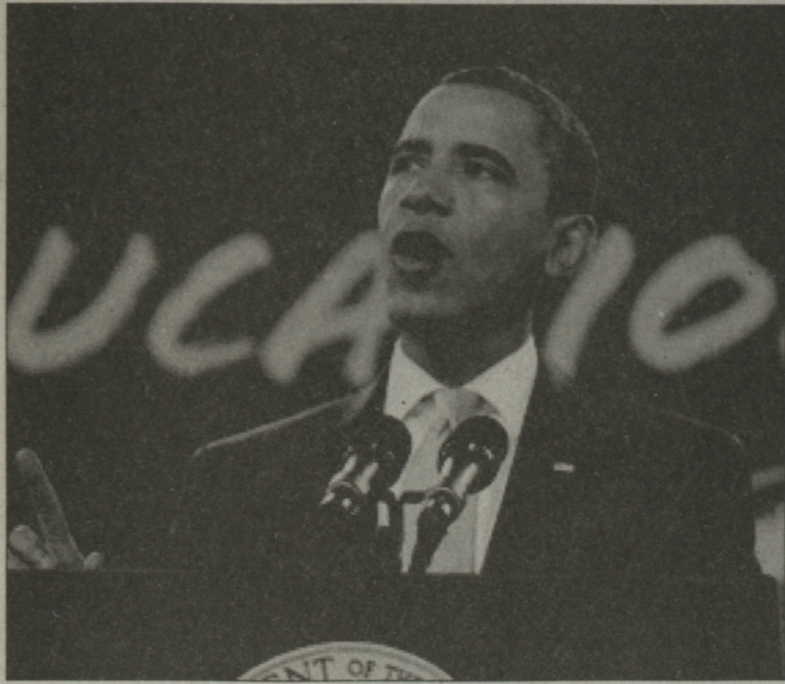
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Adrian Sterling, with Dawn Price by her side, tells Miranda Collins about the Healthy U of Delmarva program during Family Weekend.



AP photo

President Barack Obama is suggesting some changes regarding education, including longer school days and years, along with weekend hours.

Obama proposes longer school days and shorter summer vacations

By Kelley Matney
Staff Writer

If President Obama gets what he wants, the long summer vacations children enjoy could soon be a thing of the past.

According to Obama, children in America do not spend enough time in school, which puts them at a huge disadvantage with other students around the world.

"Now, I know longer school days and school years are not wildly popular ideas," the president said earlier this year. "Not with Malia and Sasha, not in my family, and probably not in yours. But the challenges of a new century demand more time in the classroom."

The president proposes that school days should be lengthened to increase class time, schools should stay open later, and also that the schools should stay open on the weekends so students have a safe haven available for them. "Our school calendar is based upon the agrarian economy and not too many of our kids are working the fields today," Education Secretary Arne Duncan said in a recent interview with The Associated Press.

Obama and Duncan note education standards in other nations for their proposed changes.

"Young people in other countries are going to school 25, 30 percent longer than our students

here," Duncan told the AP. "I want to just level the playing field."

Though it is true kids around the world spend more days in the classroom, statistics show that they do not spend more time going to school; American children have more time of educational instruction.

According to the AP, the United States averages 1,146 classroom hours each year. Most Asian nations spend fewer hours in the classroom, with Singapore, Taiwan, Japan and Hong Kong all averaging around 1,000 hours in the classroom.

These nations consistently score higher academically in math and science than American children.

Researcher Tom Loveless of the Brookings Institute has found that even adding just ten minutes a day of math instruction can increase math scores significantly.

The National Education Association (NEA), representative of the nation's teachers, wasn't exactly supportive of President Obama's proposal.

"If students aren't succeeding in the current system, then that system must change," said NEA President Dennis Van Roekel in a press release. "NEA believes that the learning schedule should be decided at the local and state levels, but will work with the Obama administration to help set guidelines that ensure each of our students gets the quality education he or she deserves."

Goldstone's report finds Israel and Palestine guilty of war crimes

By James Asuquo-Brown
Staff Writer

In a bid to further the Middle East peace process, the U.S. has called on its close ally Israel to conduct an independent investigation into alleged war crimes committed by its forces in Gaza.

The UN Human Rights Council held a one-day debate on a report issued this month by Richard Goldstone, a South African jurist and former UN war crimes prosecutor.

His panel found that both the Israeli army and Palestinian militants committed war crimes and possibly crimes against humanity during their December 2008-January 2009 war. Goldstone has criticized Israel for not cooperating with the mission and strongly rejected accusations that the investigation was politically motivated.

"The mission found that the attack on the only remaining flour-producing factory, the destruction of a large part of the Gaza egg

production, the bulldozing of huge tracts of agricultural land, and the bombing of some 200 industrial facilities, could not on any basis be justified on military grounds. Those attacks had nothing whatever to do with the firing of rockets and mortars at Israel," Goldstone said. "These attacks amounted to reprisals and collective punishment and constitute war crimes."

Also found were the repeated firing of rockets and mortars into southern Israel by Palestinian armed groups from the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip constituting war crimes that may amount to crimes against humanity.

The lack of accountability for war crimes and possible crimes against humanity has reached a crisis point. Goldstone continued, the ongoing lack of justice is undermining any hope for a successful peace process and reinforcing an environment that fosters violence.

Various Israeli government officials have roundly criticized the report, in particular the Israeli ambassador to the United Nations Human Rights

Council Aharon Leshno-Yaar, who called the 575-page report shameful.

In his first appearance before the UNHRC representing the United States, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor Michael Posner, concurring with the Israeli position, called the report deeply flawed.

"The report also fails to deal adequately with the asymmetrical nature of the conflict or to assign appropriate responsibility to Hamas for its decision to base itself and its military operations in heavily populated areas," Posner said.

"We are also seriously concerned with the recommendations that these allegations be taken up by the Security Council and then possibly referred to the International Criminal Court."

The Assistant Secretary urged the Council to pass a resolution encouraging Israel to investigate allegations through legitimate domestic processes and called on the Palestinians to launch similar investigations to address allegations of Hamas abuses.

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Overheard: Would you get the H1N1 vaccine?

Photos and article by Tessa Mikoloski



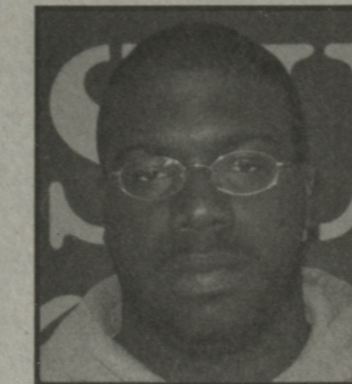
"I'd get one, I'm not trying to die."

-Aaron Foltz, sophomore



"Yes, because I always manage to get sick."

-Samantha Downs, junior



"No, because people who have gotten it done have died."

-Frederick Hobbs, senior



"Yeah because a lot of people are getting H1N1."

-Rebecca Hartman, senior



"No, because it's getting blown out of proportion."

-Carl Stockman, senior

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CORRECTION:
In the "Campus-wide smoking ban debated at forum" article, which ran in the Sept. 29 issue of The Flyer, Lauren Friedman was mistakenly named as Katie Friedman. She and Eric Kennedy were also incorrectly cited as members of Colleges Against Cancer rather than co-presidents.

New law will put a brake on texting while driving on Maryland roads

By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

I'll admit it. I text while I drive. It's not the smartest thing I've done, but I've become accustomed to it, and it seems almost natural when I drive. It could be a text from my friends wanting to know what time I am going to eat dinner or my mom wanting to know how I am doing and, of course, I have to reply.

Starting last Thursday, however, texting while driving became illegal in Maryland. If a cop sees you texting while driving, you could get pulled over and slapped with a \$500 fine.

As hard as this law is going to be to abide by, I am going to keep my phone in my purse. I think it is a brilliant rule, and it should have been put into effect a long time ago.

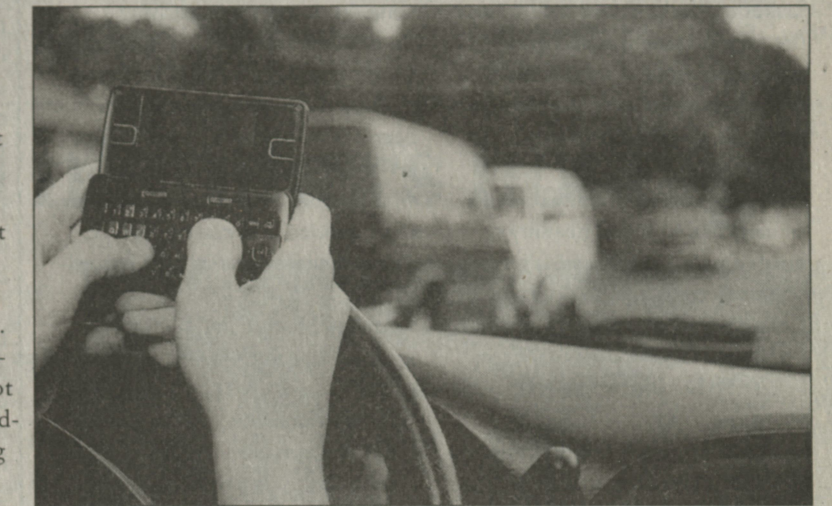
In order to text, you have to

look at your phone which takes seconds off watching the road. These seconds could cause you to not brake fast enough or not see another car merging into your lane.

Even if you try to judge what buttons you are pressing, you still have the urge to glance down and make sure it's legible. I've done it and had to immediately slam on the brakes. It's not a fun feeling, and honestly, sending a friend a text about getting a bite to eat is not worth a car accident.

I feel like the cops are going to be pulling over a lot of cars for texting, especially if they see it is a younger person. That's the stereotype because we're the generation that grew up with this stuff.

Five hundred dollars is a hefty fine, and I know I don't have that kind of cash to shell out for a text — I don't even have \$500



www.autoweek.com photo

As of last Thursday, texting while driving is illegal under Maryland law. The fine for violating this law can be up to \$500.

for textbooks. My friends are going to have to wait for a reply or go to dinner without me, and my mom is going to have to assume that I'm fine.

I feel that even though this is going to be a difficult rule to follow, it will save lives and de-

crease the number of text-related accidents. The next time you think about texting when driving, ask yourself if the message you're sending is worth \$500. That's enough to keep my phone in my purse.

Cell phone movie rental shows new level of convergence

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

Convergence is becoming more popular in today's technologically-advanced American world. More forms of media are merging together in order to attract larger audiences. For example, newspapers are now available online and most recently, movies can be viewed on cellular phones.

Five-year-old mobile entertainment company mSpot allows customers with Verizon Wireless, AT&T, Sprint and T-Mobile to, buy ringones and now movies. The mSpot company is partnering up with the major Hollywood studios such as Paramount Studios, Universal Pictures and the Weinstein Company. The movies will be available for rent purchase from cell phones for \$4.99. Customers will be able to watch the rented movie for up to five days after the purchase. Thirty phones will be able to rent movies from mSpot such as the iPhone and BlackBerry.

Many people will have access to mSpot and it will serve multiple purposes. One of the most popular purposes will be to serve people when waiting in airports, while traveling or to cover time. Busy parents may find this useful for their children to keep them occupied.

The new form of media por-

trays how quickly the media is changing into vastly different varieties. Companies are merging with each other to bring different media together to reach larger audiences.

People are living in an industrial world where it is extremely important to know how to access different forms of media. Much of our community uses cell phones, computers and televisions. However, these media are becoming more advanced and offer so much more than they did in the past. The mSpot company is an example of how cell phones are allowing users to buy ringones and movies where in the past, cell phones were mainly used for faster, easier communication.

The mSpot service may seem like a brilliant idea to many users but to other people it may be discouraging. Some see the idea of using the service as a way to take up free time which could be used to do something more active and healthier. Others view the new service as a way to ignore their children.

New improvements and ideas are constantly being introduced into the media culture. Many Americans will use mSpot as a way to watch a movie anytime, anywhere. It's just an example of how media is shaping our lives and changing the way we live.

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Facebook poll on assassination of Obama posted

By Kyra Milbourne
Staff Writer

The talk of Facebook this month included that of our very own president. Last Saturday, a poll was posted on Facebook with the question, "Should President Obama be assassinated?" Following the question were the options: "no, maybe, yes, and yes if he cuts my health care." Over 750 people responded. Though I tried to find the results of the poll, nothing came up. Due to the poll's removal by Facebook, the responses to the non-scientific poll are unfortunately unavailable.

Was this poll necessary — yes or no — and what did its creator want to gain by this? Would the maker of the poll take action once the results were in based on what the people wanted or was someone just curious as to how everyone feels about our current president?

It's crazy to think that someone actually has so much hostility towards President Obama. It's even scarier to think that people were feeling this way before he became president. This means that even before he became president hostile feelings and a lot of judgments were present. In November, prior to Obama's victory, officials from the Secret Service declined to

comment on the number of threats he had received, but said they saw more threats against him than any other candidate during the campaign. It is very scary to think that so much hostility towards our president was evident before he even won.

As for the poll, I was tempted to do a survey on campus and see what the results were, but even that is not just, or right, in my eyes. I am curious, though, what the results would be.

We love America because of our freedom of speech, but when is too much freedom a problem? Is it OK to make such a statement, or show your hatred for someone so openly?

Some might say that the poll was someone's way of expressing themselves and seeing if there are others that agree with that person.

Then there are others like the Secret Service and Facebook that are working together to find out who posted the poll so they can be reprimanded and maybe even be charged with threatening the president.

After the culprit of such a trick is revealed, there's no doubt in my mind that there will be some type of poll or debate as to the punishment they should face. I just hope justice serves its purpose in this case.



Kevin Frayer/AP photo

Israel left this area in shreds last winter. After an investigation by the United Nations, Goldstone Report findings show that both Israel's and Palestine's actions have broken international humanitarian law.

Israel needs to hold itself accountable

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

Last month, the Goldstone Report was released. The report, the culmination of a United Nations investigation into alleged war crimes committed during the conflict between Israel and Hamas in December 2008 to January 2009, found that both sides committed actions contrary to international humanitarian law.

The conflict erupted in December 2008, when Israel acted against Hamas to stop its indiscriminate firing of rockets and mortars into southern Israel. Lasting for three weeks, the conflict brought a great deal of criticism upon Hamas and Israel for the apparent disregard both parties had for civilians. Hamas was condemned for its rocket attacks, which threatened Israeli civilians, and for hiding among the Palestinian population of Gaza, placing them at risk. Israel was con-

demned for the systematic destruction of Gaza's already deteriorated infrastructure, the illegal use of white phosphorus and for not doing enough to protect Palestinian noncombatants.

Given both sides' nonchalant attitudes toward civilians, it's not surprising that Palestinian civilians were the true losers in the conflict. According to B'Tselem, an Israeli human rights group, some 773 Palestinian noncombatants, including 320 children and 109 women, were killed.

The United Nations investigation, headed by Richard Goldstone, a respected South African judge, found that both sides committed war crimes. Israel, which refused to participate in the investigation, has condemned the investigation for being biased, as has Hamas.

The United States, though it has rejected the report as being biased against Israel, has, however, called on Israel to conduct a transparent

probe into its conduct during the conflict, something the Goldstone report has also called for. Such a probe is a necessary undertaking.

Though Hamas is a terrorist organization and the likelihood that it would ever hold an investigation into its own war crimes is laughably nonexistent, Israel cannot evade its moral responsibility by pointing to the crimes of its enemy as it has done. Israel is a state born out of the millennia of persecution the Jews have endured. As such, Israel should recognize the importance of justice and the rule of law. When the actions of the Israeli government run counter to those ideals, it tarnishes its own credibility, as well as the credibility of its allies, and diminishes its moral legitimacy. Israel is a country that is supposed to be a shining light of democracy and rights in a region without much of either. It's time for Israel to show it by holding itself accountable.

Letter to the Editor

Re: Opinion article titled "Housing renovations are making existing conditions cramped"

The tagline for the Flyer reads "Salisbury University's Student Voice"; however, after reading the article concerning housing renovations it was determined that was not the case.

It was very disappointing to read an article that so boldly did not support the choices of the University and clearly blamed the Department of Housing and Residence Life for things beyond their control.

The Housing Department does not control the number of students that are accepted into the University.

Did the author of this article do any investigation before writing about people's feelings in which they've never spoken to?

The residents who live in the "basement" of Nanticoke really enjoy it. By using the term "basement" your

staff writer is trying to insinuate that the living conditions on the ground floor of Nanticoke are uninhabitable. Has the author taken a trip over to Nanticoke this year? The author states "students should have an actual bedroom." For future reference, the rooms on the ground level of Nanticoke are spaces that were always rooms, but never needed to be used. Residents are not living in a lounge, anywhere on campus, as your writer claims.

Also, your writer demeans Resident Assistants by implying that they are only in it for the single room. RAs were informed of the possibility of having a roommate before the Spring 2009 semester ended; there was enough time to deny the position if someone were only in it for the

room.

RAs are hardworking student leaders and the things implied in this article are distasteful.

Perhaps one should check the facts of an article before it is published. To be the so-called voice of Salisbury University's students, this article was a disgrace.

The real voice of the students should be taken into account; exceptionally of those students that are being written about.

The biggest troubling fact about this article is whose feelings it is really representing? The author's or Salisbury University's students?

Perhaps the title of this article should have been "Irrational comments not based on facts."

-JaLeesa Tate

Open Mic Night boasts wild talent

By Diana Dwyer
Staff Writer

SU students showcased their creative talent last Wednesday, Sept. 30 from 7 to 10 p.m. during open mic night at Gull's Nest. The event was hosted by SOAP, and Event Services was there to help with sound and set up as well.

While enjoying a bite to eat, the Gull's Nest audience listened to various sets. These included a cappella singing solely or along with guitar, bongo drums and ukulele, beat boxing, dec-jaying and rapping.

Performers primarily played originals. Some were dedicated to a special person, like a father. Other songs were covers from artists like Rooney, Elliott Smith, Taylor Swift and Usher.

Students were offered time slots of 10 minutes or less to showcase their talent. A sign-up sheet was posted by the stage, and all who attended were encouraged to participate. The night started off slowly with few willing participants, but

that changed quickly.

Christie Stone, lecture chair for SOAP and a member of Squawkapella, broke the ice by performing first. Stone sang two untitled love songs in a strong voice which channeled country while playing guitar. One song was written five months ago while the other was written two weeks before open-mic night. Stone has been playing shows for eight years now.

Stephen Waldron covered his favorite Dispatch song, "The General," with vocals and guitar.

Waldron was only planning to stop by but not to play. Before Wednesday, Waldron had only performed live four or five times.

"Dave D" changed the acoustic atmosphere by rapping about pirates. The rapper, donning a beret, was inspired by his 10-month old nephew. One chorus of his went, "Cause I'm a pirate and this is a riot..."

Dave D's parody of T-Pain's hit "I'm in Love with a Stripper" — "I'm in Love with a Runner" — was

a crowd favorite. Khalfani Blount from Events Services altered his voice to achieve T-Pain's famously robotic sound.

"DJ Frankie" mixed up the mood with his turntables. He mixed Lil Wayne songs, T-Pain's "Bartender" and Bubba Sparxxx's "Ms. New Booty." The unique performance received loud applause from the audience.

Waldron said DJ Frankie was his favorite performance and described it as different and exciting. The peak audience attendance was just over 50 around 8:30 p.m.

"It takes a lot of confidence and nerve to get up [on stage]. I think everyone who performed was just wonderful. I got to see a little bit of each person who performed," Stone said.

"Open Mic Night was a fun experience," RD Coalla said. "I can't believe I've been going to Salisbury for five years and never stopped by."

The next Open Mic Night is on Wednesday, Nov. 11 from 7 to 10 p.m.



Lorie Liebig photo

John Tully plays the guitar during his time slot at SOAP's Open Mic Night. Various students performed at the event on Wednesday.

Assassins game takes Cru members hostage

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

Campus Crusade for Christ, also known as Cru, is one of the largest student organizations on campus with an estimated 200 members. Recently, Cru added yet another activity to their repertoire of events that have included a Sonic fundraiser, s'mores in the quad and a princess party.

Assassins represents a modern twist on the classic game of tag, where the ultimate goal is to eliminate all other opponents using an imitation weapon. Cru's imitation weapon was small wooden sticks.

The only protection the players have are their own weapons and safe zones, which are the Cru meetings, class, and bedrooms.

Over 80 people participated in the game. The goals of the game included getting new freshmen involved, encouraging student and club interaction, while also acting as an outreach initiative to campus.

Combine the large membership with an extensive game like assassins, and there are bound to be many casualties of the game.

Assassins was open to the entire campus, making it an outreach event.

Junior Sarah Schwarz is still in the game and said she is working on capturing a difficult target.

"I've had a lot of fun playing assassins and I got to know a lot of people I wouldn't normally talk to," she said.

"I like going to Cru because I love the Lord. I like being around people who want to follow and worship God," said sophomore

Cameron Wilson. "I didn't play assassins, but it was just a game to have fun and play with people and a way to invite people to Cru if they ask you what the game is about."

One of Cru's primary focuses is fellowship with each other. According to their mission statement, the student organization primarily sets on "turning our generation toward passionately following Christ."

"I go to Cru because I love the atmosphere. I really enjoy spending time with people who are passionate about their beliefs. My favorite part about Cru is meeting lots of new people. And I love the songs," Juliana Humphreys said.

Cru meets Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. in the Caruthers Hall auditorium.



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Meg Borodulia, Scott Lassahn and Matthew Annanie play around with the wooden sticks used as weapons in Cru's game of Assassins.

From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



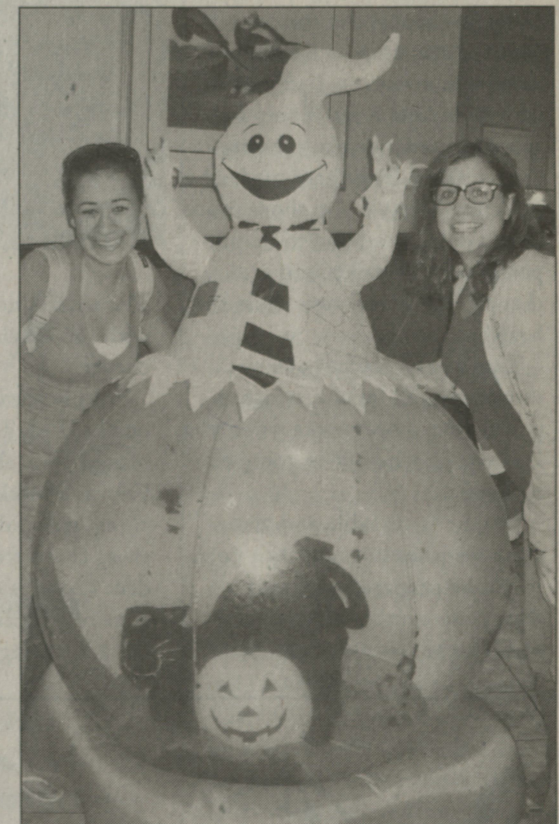
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Felicia Grupe, Bobbi Beers and Sasha Greenfield promote the SU Dance Company's car wash at Cheers over the weekend.



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Jada and Randa Collins enjoy ice cream during Family Weekend events.



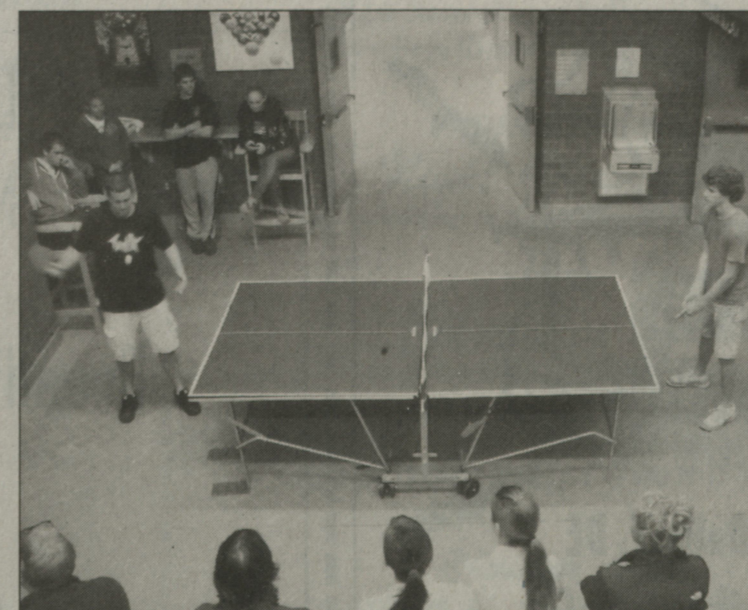
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Beeta Nazemian and Christina Berke get ready for Halloween with the inflatable in the Commons.



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Christie Stone sings and plays guitar at Open Mic Night on Wednesday at the stage in Gull's Nest.



Bridget Kerner photo

Opponents face off in front of an audience at the Guerrieri University Center's Ping Pong tournament on Thursday night.



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Family of Amanda Brady, Michelle Morstein and Allison Bennett get together at SU's football game.

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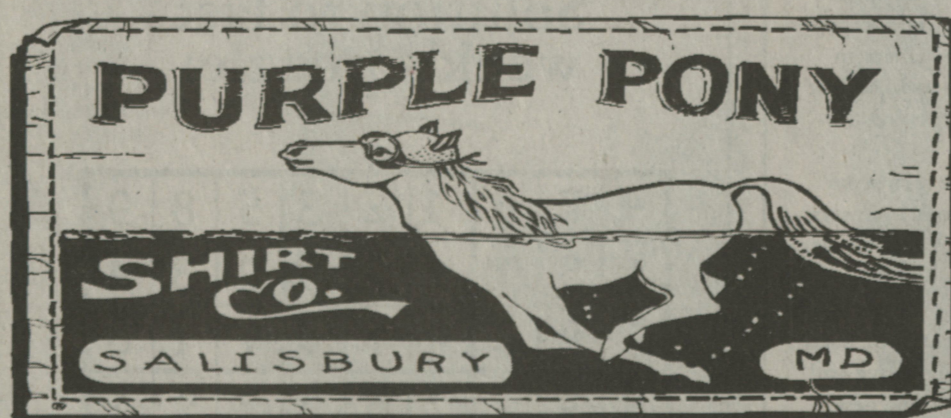
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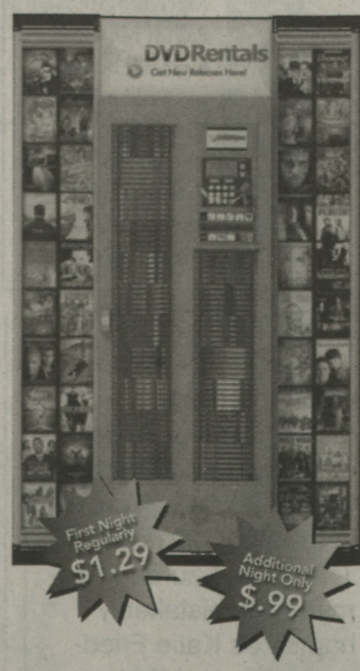
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In one of her mind reading games, Tessa guessed correctly that an audience member would choose at random the number 88. She shows the completed grid that has each column, row and corner of four add up to 88.

The Evasons entertain students and families with mind reading

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

As part of Salisbury University's family weekend festivities, SOAP brought the mentalist duo The Evasons to campus this past Saturday. Students, parents and family members were amazed, shocked and skeptical during The Evasons' light-hearted and charismatic performance.

Tessa and Jeff Evason have performed in over 35 countries around the world on radio and TV broadcasts and have received international awards for extrasensory perception. Their performance included lots of audience interaction with hints of humor.

The first volunteer for the night was SU student Colleen Powers. Colleen was asked by Jeff to pick a phone number out of her contact list in her cell phone. With only one attempt, Tessa correctly revealed the digits and the name of the contact in Powers' phone.

"I started shaking and freaking

out. I had a weird feeling in my gut. I just couldn't believe it," Powers said.

Whispers of those wondering how to explain the performance floated around the room. The night before, Tessa dreamed about a two-digit number and the person who would choose that exact number. A piece of paper taken from Jeff's pocket revealed Tessa's dream, which involved the person who would guess the same number Tessa thought of, along with all of her personal characteristics. Tessa was precisely correct.

During the next part of the performance, the audience was asked to take out any personal items. With a blindfold on, Tessa guessed the items, the significance the items had to the people, and the participants' full names. A grandmother held a picture of her grandson while Tessa guessed everything right.

When a young lady held up a ring for Tessa to identify, Tessa had a strong connection with her and was easily able to figure out what the

item was.

According to Tessa, the trick is being able to sense the energy of a person and their reaction towards something, which takes years of practice.

"I can pick up thoughts from people within a certain framework and energy," she said. Some were still in disbelief, while others were convinced that this duo was truly magical, unique and special.

"People misuse the word psychic. I've been able to do these types of things from a very young age," Tessa said.

Sophomore Vlad Raina thought that the talents of the duo were too good to be true.

"The show was awesome, but I think there is some kind of explanation to it," Raina said.

For those still skeptical, Tessa and Jeff offer \$100,000 to any person who can prove that they use any type of aid in their show to help them with their predictions.

That prize has yet to be claimed.

Staff Spotlight: Susie West

By Heather Comer
Staff Writer

When you step into the inviting atmosphere of the Center for Student Achievement's office, you will most likely be greeted by Susie West, an administrative assistant for CSA. The formal question "How can I help you?" is brightened by West's cheerful and optimistic demeanor.

"Her bright face lights up the front desk and invites all to the Center," said Susie Bauserman, a graduate assistant and a co-worker of West's.

West is the front line of the Center for Student Achievement. She is the first person that students see when they step over the threshold. The center has only been operating for a year, and West has been there since the beginning, working hard and putting in the necessary effort to put the center in its current position.

"Susie keeps the ship on an even keel. She coordinates all of our academic coaching appointments, data collection, payroll and check-ins. She communicates with teams, student groups and faculty, and takes care of our space," said Heather Holmes, Director of the Center for Student Achievement.

Not only is she involved in everything at the center, West humbly gives credit to others before herself. "I'm a behind-the-scenes person," West said. "I just give others the tools to do what is needed for the students and the center."

West may call herself a secretary, but she is much more to her co-workers. Esha Greer worked with West in the CSA last year and currently works for New Student Experience 10 feet across the room.

"She's always working, talking to students, just doing whatever Heather needs her to do. She'll tell you that she doesn't do a lot, but she really does. She is always doing something," Greer said.

Bauserman agreed with both Holmes and Greer. "Without Susie, the CSA couldn't function. She's constantly working and thinking of new ways to improve the center," Bauserman said. West's energy towards her work is equally as remarkable. While West preferred to guide the conversation around the services that the CSA offers, her colleagues and friends love to talk about her.

"She's just so enthusiastic, always so helpful. I just love her," Greer said.

To all her co-workers, the name Susie West evokes such words like amazing, fun, caring, positive, and all-around great.

"Susie is dynamite!" Bauserman said.



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CSA Administrative Assistant Susie West and New Student Experience student employee Sara Mattingly work together to keep the office atmosphere friendly and helpful.

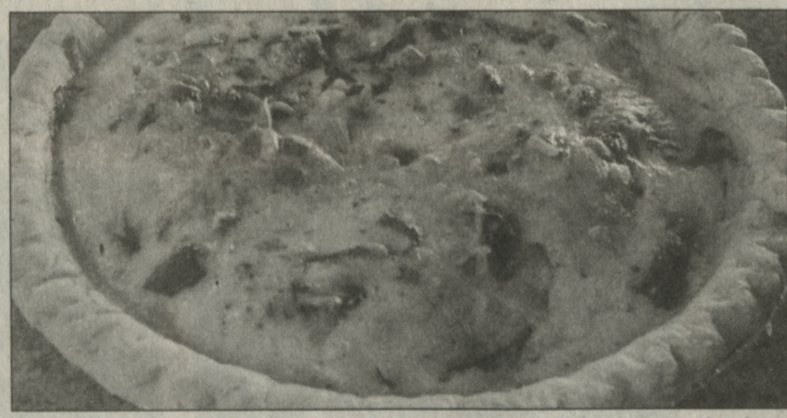
What's Cooking? | Recipes for a tight budget

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

If you are like me, you are always looking for ways to be more efficient throughout the day. Most of the time — but definitely not always — I am able to fit into my day a few hours for relaxing activities like running and cooking. Both help me lead a healthier lifestyle. On those more hectic days, it is good to be prepared with a few kitchen aids that are quick and easy while still healthy.

This week's recipe is an autumn-inspired quiche, which is perfect for those weeks when you know your schedule is going to be hectic.

Quiche is versatile and tastes great whether hot, warm or cold. It can be prepared with just about any combination of vegetables, cheeses and even meats.



Michael Piorunski photo

The trick is not to overload it with too much egg or too much cheese.

For my autumn-inspired quiche, I used some zucchini I picked up at the Salisbury Farmer's Market last weekend, and Swiss chard from a friend's garden. Chard is one of many varieties of greens available in the fall and spring. It is packed with

vitamin K, vitamin C, vitamin A, fiber and iron. It is great for vegetarians who may lack sources of iron in their diet.

Feel free to substitute your favorite vegetables and cheeses. I like to use blue cheese and goat cheese, and I also enjoy blanched and sliced red potatoes, red bell pepper and baby spinach. You could even add cooked bacon or chicken.

Autumn Quiche

3 cups Swiss chard, washed and chopped
2-3 poblano (or bell) peppers, washed and sliced in strips
1/2 medium zucchini, roundly sliced
4 large eggs
3/4 cup milk
3 oz. any cheese
1 tsp. olive oil
Dash of hot sauce
Salt and pepper
1/2 tsp. cumin
1 pie crust (store bought is fine)

Method:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Follow manufacturer's instructions for pie crust; I would recommend thawing it out. Make sure you use an all-butter crust ONLY. Graham cracker and egg will NOT be turned out as good. Prepare your veggies, and heat

olive oil in a skillet over medium heat. Once hot, add peppers, zucchini and salt and pepper. Sauté for 4-5 minutes, tossing the vegetables regularly.

Add the chard and cumin next. Let the chard wilt by mixing with vegetables after a minute. Remove from heat, and place the vegetables in a bowl. Drain off any excess liquid.

In a separate bowl, beat the eggs, milk, hot sauce, salt and pepper. In the thawed pie crust, begin to layer the vegetables and cheese evenly. After adding the vegetables, pour the egg over top. Bake for 45-50 minutes until egg and crust are slightly browned. Do not over-bake because the quiche will dry out. Let the quiche cool for at least 10 minutes before serving. It is also good cold.

ShoreCorps/PALS' REACH grant will serve local youth

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

Stimulus dollars from the American Recovery and Re-Investment Act have made their way across the Bay to bolster Salisbury's AmeriCorps program, ShoreCorps/PALS (Partnership for Adolescents on the Lower Shore).

ShoreCorps/PALS, whose AmeriCorps members serve youth at non-profit organizations across the Lower Shore, has been slated to receive a Recovery Education and Community Help grant totaling just over \$72,000.

"It was important for this community to get money it would not have otherwise had, and national service is the way to do that," says Dr. George Whitehead, co-director of ShoreCorps/PALS.

Monies stemming from the REACH grant will expand the PALS program to 16 part-time and five full-time service members, from its former three full-time members and 10 part-time members. The REACH grant provides funding for these added PALS members to serve at organizations who engage youth in financial literacy programs, as well as at organizations

with otherwise limited funding. "Without the eight [additional] members we wouldn't be serving Junior Achievement, Salisbury Urban Ministries, Habitat for Humanity, Telamon, The Ward Museum and Salisbury's Promise," Whitehead said.

The footprint of the economic downturn, which has affected a reduction in the budgets of state and federally funded institutions and organizations across the board, including Salisbury University, had trickled down to ShoreCorps/PALS at the beginning of the current fiscal year, including a two-thirds reduction in budget and paid staff.

The \$78,500 the program received for the 2009-10 service year, down from 226,800 a year ago, fell short of expectations, and meant there was no way around a reduction in staff, AmeriCorps members, and service sites.

"What we had originally wanted to do was expand the program," Whitehead said. "At one point the program grew [to Talbot County], but is now back on the Lower Shore."

The ShoreCorps/PALS program is unique in that the AmeriCorps members exclusively serve at organizations

serving youth; many of which serve disadvantaged and vulnerable populations.

Whitehead says that one of the missions of the PALS program is to "provide young people with caring adults," adding that the ShoreCorps/PALS program "puts [our members] in touch with the community and community needs."

Each full-time ShoreCorps/PALS member serves a total of 1700 hours in the community at their service site, at service projects, and in training during their year of service. Part-time members serve 900 hours.

The Independent Sector, a non-profit research organization, estimates each volunteer hour served in Maryland, including national service, to be valued at \$21.20. Using this figure, ShoreCorps/PALS members will contribute an estimated \$485,480 of service to communities on the Lower Shore.

In an uncertain and timid economic environment, volunteer and national service in programs like AmeriCorps and ShoreCorps/PALS engage youth and provide communities with opportunities to grow sustainably.



Michael Piorunski photo

Latisha Palmer, a ShoreCorps/PALS member from the 2008-2009 year, participates in a clean-up with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Public Radio Delmarva strives to make a difference with membership drive

Submitted by Public Radio
Delmarva: WSDL 90.7 and WSCL 89.5

The Public Radio Delmarva Fall Membership Drive kicks off Monday, Oct. 5 with an online drive and continues with its on-air drive Thursday, Oct. 15 through Saturday, Oct. 24.

This year's theme is "Making a Difference on Delmarva." Listeners have said Public Radio Delmarva makes a difference in their lives and community.

Each listener makes a difference to Public Radio Delmarva, too. Listeners can make a difference by tuning in to WSCL and WSDL and also by donating to Public Radio Delmarva.

During the drive PRD is asking listeners to step forward and help continue to make a difference on this peninsula. Contributors choose the amount of their donations, and every dollar makes a difference to PRD.

Public Radio Delmarva is holding several campus events to kick-off the Fall Drive.

Monday, Oct. 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. is Public Radio Delmarva Awareness Day in Red Square and the PRD studios in CH194. This is a student-run event for students and will include performances by SU group Squawkapella, in addition to other

SU acoustic and musical talents; an open house and tour of the PRD radio station; as well as an in-house jam session in the AMI-Sea Gull recording studios.

Wednesday, Oct. 14 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. is the annual PRD open house for SU faculty and staff. This event includes a performance by the SU group Squawkapella and a special preview of our new drive jingle, written by members of the SU community. The open house will be an opportunity for faculty and staff to record testimonials, tour the station and much more.

PRD has an incredible outpouring of support not only from the community but from the Salisbury University campus community.

Members of SGA are scheduled to answer phones during the drive as well as faculty, staff and students. We designate days for each school such as Seidel Day, Perdue Day and Blackwell Library Day, and it's a great talking point on-air.

If interested in volunteering and answering phones during the membership drive, stop by the radio station, located in CH 194, e-mail Angela Byrd at mabyrd@salisbury.edu, or call 410-543-6895.

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The Internet makes it harder for love to be blind

The concept of love being blind is almost as curious as its love child, the blind date. Before the internet and social powerhouses like MySpace and Facebook, the blind date was once a legitimate way to hook up, and potentially find love — or have an awkward date end catastrophically.

Either way, you would still go on a date with the person without seeing them before, hence the term blind. Or you gave their personality a chance, at the very least. This is where the saying beauty is only skin deep comes from.

So we have somehow devolved to

a more aesthetically judgmental society. No longer do we consider personality traits. We take one look at their profile picture and somehow think we know them before we know them.

Society now dictates the characteristics of love, including how thin, what color, what gender, what religion and what income. If this is truly an improvement from blind dating that predates most modern college students' love lives, then why are there so many people still looking for love?

It does not take a genius to understand why millions of people look

for love via the Internet. People often look for that perfect sexy pose or angle that manipulates lighting to soften freckles. Or they use software that exaggerates eye and hair color. Whether this describes you or not, how many people have you rejected solely based on looks?

How many times has life given you a great opportunity or a truly great person? If you look toward what others say or draw from personal insecurities to convince yourself, this person is not for you. So if true love is blind, why then are we looking so hard?

We rarely even give potential per-

spectives a chance anymore. We simply look over the roses with blemishes, and pick the most attractive ones, despite the fact that even they may have more thorns and no blemishes. There are a gazillion quotes on the topic. With such quotes like "plank in the eye one in your own" and "don't judge a book by its cover," we still judge.

So if you are one of many looking for love, ask yourself: "What makes me so perfect?" the next time you reject someone strictly based on physical criteria. You may surprise yourself. It may be less human nature and more inward based.

Ms. Advice answers all your questions, even private ones, in complete confidentiality. Send your questions to: ak09722@students.salisbury.edu

"I am currently a freshman living off campus by myself. I am feeling a lot of pressure to go out and meet friends, and the only way I feel comfortable is by joining a sorority. But unfortunately, I didn't seem to click with most of the girls, and their personalities at the sorority I went to. What are some different paths I can take to make friends? Please help."

Don't limit yourself to looking at just one sorority. There are four different ones on campus, each with a different group of girls offering different activities and philanthropies. During spring recruitment, you can visit all the sororities, and see which group of girls you are most comfortable with and who you would fit in with best. If you do not think a sorority is for you, there are plenty of other options on campus. There are multiple clubs you can join, and they are a great way to meet others with similar interests. You can also meet new friends and feel like you are part of a team through intramural sports.

"My boyfriend doesn't go to school here, and I don't get to see him very often. Lately I feel like we haven't been talking as much, and he didn't say 'I love you' back the last time I talked to him. I am starting to think he is cheating on me and that our relationship is falling apart. I don't want to accuse my boyfriend of cheating, but I don't know what else to do. Is it too late to fix our relationship?"

Discuss all your feelings with your boyfriend the next time you talk to him. Do not accuse him of anything that is not officially true. If you really do not trust him anymore, you should bring that up as well. Both of you need to see what the next step should be in your relationship. If time apart is needed, that may be the best thing for you. You will not know until you discuss it with him because it might just be miscommunication.

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Pearson will present lecture on literacy instruction

SALISBURY, MD — Literacy instruction has changed in public schools during the past decade-and-a-half, according to Dr. P. David Pearson, former president of the National Reading Conference.

Pearson speaks on the ways research, educational policy and politics have interacted to create the everyday literacy practices seen in today's schools as this semester's E. Pauline Riall Lecturer at Salisbury University. He also argues for changes to those practices to ensure students are able to make the most of their education. His talk is 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, in Holloway Hall Auditorium.

"Dr. Pearson is a leader in teaching literacy," said Dr. Gwen Beegle, Riall Lecture Series coordinator. "His work, through university teaching and scholarship, continues to be nationally influential in understanding the transfer of learning and teaching literacy within scientific inquiry."

A member of the National Academy of Education, Pearson is a former dean of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's college of education, where he also co-directed the

Center for the Study of Reading. Before joining the faculty at the University of California, Berkeley, he was the John A. Hanna Distinguished Professor of Education at Michigan State University.

He has served as president of the National Reading Conference and on the boards of directors for the International Reading Association, the National Reading Conference and the Association of American Colleges of Teacher Education.

His honors include the William S. Gray Citation of Merit from the International

Reading Association, the Oscar Causey Award for Contributions to Reading Research from the National Reading Conference and the Alan Purves Award from the National Council of Teachers of English.

Among his books and articles are the "Handbook of Reading Research," now in its third volume; "Learning to Read: Lessons for Effective Schools and Accomplished Teachers" (with Barbara Taylor); and with Linda Darling-Hammond and other prominent educators, "Powerful Learning: What We Know About Teaching for Understanding."

The E. Pauline Riall Lecture Series is named in honor of its founder, the long-time principal and teacher at SU's Campus School. The series' purpose is to bring to the University and community outstanding national lecturers in the field of education. Sponsored by the Samuel W. and Marilyn C. Seidel School of Education and Professional Studies, admission is free and the public is invited. For more information call 410-543-6393 or visit the Salisbury University Web site at www.salisbury.edu.

PACE partners with Institute for Service Learning

SALISBURY, MD — Salisbury University's Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement and the Institute for Service Learning are forming a strategic partnership to coordinate campuswide coordination of civic engagement and service learning at SU.

"With space at PACE, faculty and students can learn about civic engagement and service learning under one roof," said Dr. George Whitehead, director of the Institute for Service Learning.

"I look forward to working with faculty on integrating service learning into their courses

and appreciate the administrative support for the institute."

The institutes' shared goals are to enrich academic learning, enhance the teaching of civic responsibilities and increase awareness of University-wide, service-learning opportunities.

"Although we have distinct missions, we have a common purpose in getting our students engaged in the community," said Dr. Francis Kane, PACE co-director. "It is an exciting partnership that will help make our students better citizens."

Together, the two institutes will work to infuse curriculum

with civic engagement and service learning through faculty seminars, the establishment of a joint resource center at PACE, targeted civic engagement and service learning survey research and collaboration on the Clinton Global University Initiative project.

The institutes also are working with SU's new Student Volunteer Center to better disseminate campus information to students.

To learn more about PACE and the Service Learning Institute call 410-677-5045 or visit the Salisbury University Web site at www.salisbury.edu.

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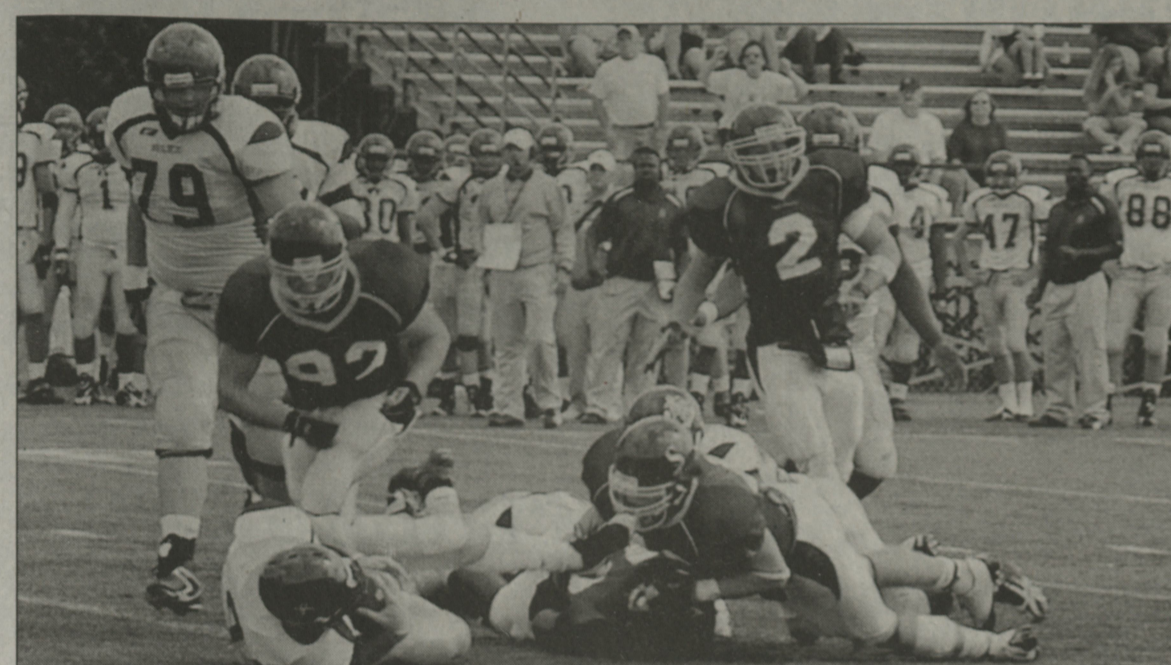
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SPORTS

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Senior linebacker Eric Arndt, sophomore defensive lineman Josh Frederick and a host of other Sea Gulls bring down the Apprentice offense on Saturday afternoon.

Football makes the record books with 77-7 victory

By Alexis Howard
Staff Writer

More than 1,600 fans witnessed history on Saturday. By game's end, the Salisbury football team had racked up 77 points over The Apprentice School of Newport News, Va.

Within the first ten minutes of the game, Salisbury junior Bryan Woolson ran 81 yards for an opening touchdown and followed it shortly after with a 37-yard run into the end zone.

In the second quarter, senior Brandon Hudson returned a punt 79 yards for SU's third touchdown of the game. This was followed by sophomore Jonathan Briscoe's 24-yard run for the game's fourth touchdown. Junior quarterback Sean Kelly connected with Briscoe for a 30-yard pass late in the second

quarter to raise the Sea Gulls' lead to 35-0 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Kelly found senior DJ Nelson open and passed 36 yards for touchdown number six, which Kelly referred to as his best play of the game. Briscoe received a 15-yard pass from Kelly to give the Gulls a 49-0 advantage. Apprentice finally got on the board with a touchdown from Reggie George in the middle of the third quarter before sophomore Tyler Curley finished the quarter, scoring a 20-yard touchdown for the Sea Gulls.

Freshman Brandon Norwood had consecutive runs of 61 yards and three yards in the fourth quarter. Freshman Evan Zedler gave Salisbury their final touchdown with a 29-yard run with fifty seconds remaining in the game.

After the game, senior defensive lineman Paul Cynewski and quarter-

back Sean Kelly described how the team prepared for the game.

"We had to watch a bunch of film and we had to try and understand the other team's schemes. We watched them inside and out," said Cynewski.

"We wanted to make sure we were ready. We knew we had an advantage over them athletically," said Kelly.

Coach Sherman Wood reiterated his team's preparation. "We worked very hard and watched a lot of video. We knew several of their players had good speed and playing ability," said Wood.

The 77 points ties the record for the most points scored in an ACFC game and ties for the second-most points scored in SU history, matching the 77 points Salisbury posted against Apprentice in 2005.

Downes and Massarelli earn kill number 1,000

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

Salisbury's women's volleyball team recently added two names to the record book. Senior middle hitter Nicole Massarelli and senior outside hitter Rachel Downes each achieved their 1000th kill in their Salisbury careers and Massarelli broke the Salisbury career block record.

Downes made her 1000th kill at the Sea Gull Classic the weekend of Sept. 25-26.

"I didn't know I got it right away," she said. "A friend told me afterwards." She simply described the experience as exciting.

The girls are part of an almost perfect volleyball season with a record of 17-2.

"I know my ability to play volleyball is a gift from God," Downes said. "I don't want to waste it."

She attributes her success to all the hard work she and the team have put in this season and is proud to hold a place in SU history. That hard work has paid off; the Gulls are first in the conference.

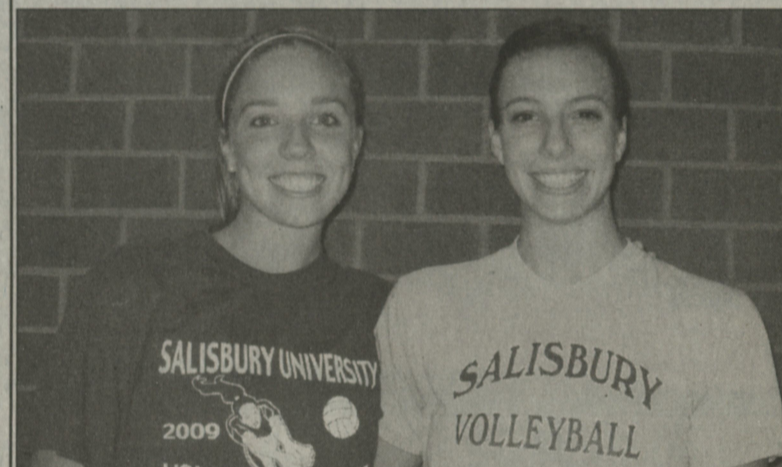
Since her 1000th kill, Downes has continued to add to the number that

will continue to rise throughout the remainder of the season. She has no plans to break any more records, but she does have goals for the team. Her teammates hope to win the Capital Athletic Conference and earn a spot at the NCAA tournament. Last year SU achieved both of those goals, winning the CAC tournament and playing in the NCAA tournament.

Massarelli earned her 1000th kill on Tuesday, Sept. 29 against Marymount University. She recorded 12 kills, 15 attempts and no attack errors that night. Her final kill marked the milestone. Massarelli also recently broke the career block record, previously held by Abbey Petrecca, with 382 blocks.

SU recently added another win to their record against Wesley on Wednesday, Sept. 30, beating them easily, 3-0.

The Sea Gulls' next game is scheduled for Oct. 9 at the Christopher Newport University Invitational where the team will show off their skills as both Downes and Massarelli, who rank sixth and seventh all-time in career kills at Salisbury, will certainly add to their career numbers.



After their 1000th kills, Rachel Downes and Nicole Massarelli are currently ranked sixth and seventh in all-time career kills at Salisbury.

MMA makes its way to Salisbury

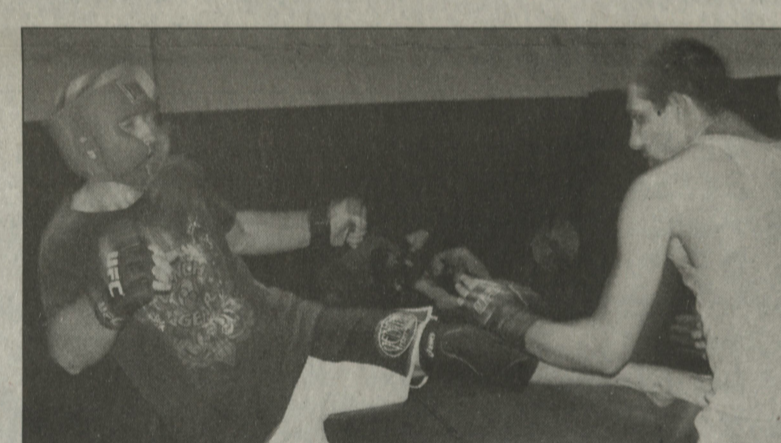
By Therran Dennis
Staff Writer

Mixed martial arts (MMA), the fastest growing phenomenon in the world, has taken all but Delmarva by storm. MMA instructor Brad Pole wants to change that.

"A lot of people are excited about the sport here," said Pole, a pro fighter himself since 2001.

Hailing from Washington State, Pole was an All-American wrestler throughout high school and college, before joining the Navy and its All-Navy wrestling team. It was there where he was, as he says, "accidentally" introduced to the world of MMA, after he was challenged to spar with a fellow Midshipman.

From then on he joined the professional ranks of the sport, and quickly became a lightweight champion. He moved to Salisbury in 2003, and brought his passion for the sport to the shore.



Senior Ryan Boyce spars with another fighter at Primal MMA located next to the Fractured Prune across from campus.

"This is a very, very untapped area for MMA," said Pole.

He resumed training two years ago with a small group of fighters out of a local karate academy and when approached with the idea to build a facility for potential fighters, Pole didn't think twice.

"It was kind of a no-brainer," said Pole. "We were training out of a local karate school, and then we moved our facility to a local wrestling club. The problem the last two years: we never had a home. As we grew, it became evident that we needed a facility."

Hence the establishment of Primal Fighting Systems, LLC—the only MMA academy within 150 miles of the area—built across from Salisbury University, next to the Fractured Prune, in May.

"The demographic that we were looking for was 18 to 34 year-olds," said Pole. "We have that demographic across the street. That's a big

part of us moving here, I wanted to give the college kids something to do. Not everybody can play college football, or lacrosse."

The facility is fully loaded with a sparring mat, punching-bags, a weight room, and a steel-caged octagon, spar-ready for fighters in lieu of upcoming matches. Currently, the academy has 40 students in training.

One of those students, SU senior Ryan Boyce, has taken full advantage of the opportunity to train as a mixed martial artist at Primal.

"I wrestled my whole life," said Boyce. "I decided I wanted to change my workout. This place offers a unique workout; there's nothing like it."

Regardless if you're into sparring, or if you just want to stay fit, this place is for anyone who has even the slightest interest in MMA.

"There's something for everybody," said Pole. "Come in and try it."

October brings the start of the MLB post-season

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

October has arrived, and that means that the 2009 MLB season is coming to an end and the playoffs are on their way.

The New York Yankees, the St. Louis Cardinals, the Philadelphia Phillies, and the L.A. Angels are strolling into the post-season with ease after leading their divisions all season, solidifying their playoff spots.

In the American League Central, the Detroit Tigers and Minnesota Twins are tied atop the division and will fight for a playoff spot in a one-game playoff on Oct. 6.

In the National League West both the L.A. Dodgers and the Colorado Rockies have clinched playoff berths, with the Dodgers winning the division and the Rockies taking the wild card.

The Boston Red Sox wrapped up the Wild Card last week, giving them a sense of relief as the Texas Rangers were sniffing at their heels all season long.

Also in the AL East, the Yan-

kees bounced back from last year's disappointing finish to claim the best record in the league, 102-59, solidifying home field advantage throughout the playoffs. Last year's AL champion, the Tampa Bay Rays, finished 18 games back, and failed to make the playoffs.

The defending champion Philadelphia Phillies have been consistently good all year, adding veteran pitcher Pedro Martinez to upgrade their pitching and beef up their roster for a title defense.

Local teams, the Washington Nationals and Baltimore Orioles, have struggled this season. Both teams are at the bottom of their division and hold the two worst records in the league.

The Orioles have some pieces to make a run, but team chemistry and poor management have held them back all season long. The Nationals have less to be positive about, holding the worst record in the MLB all year long.

The 2009 playoffs look to bring surprises, with each team a legitimate contender to win the World Series title.

U.S. soccer moving towards world cup 2010

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

For many people, the World Cup is a symbol of everything good. Different people with different backgrounds, beliefs, and ideas coming together to play a game that has many names, depending on where you watch it. Football, futbol, soccer. The beautiful game.

For soccer fans in the United States however, there was a time when passion for the sport was looked down upon and disregarded.

Things have certainly changed, and they've been building up to this moment over the last seven years.

In 2002, the United States had arguably one of the best teams at the World Cup in South Korea and Japan, and only a controversial handball decision against the Americans kept them out of the semi-finals. Fast forward to 2006, and the interest began to peak. U.S. soccer was featured on the cover of Sports Illustrated, and ESPN devoted more airtime to U.S. soccer coverage.

However, the team faltered that

year and the program has since undergone a serious transformation.

With young players such as Charlie Davies, Michael Bradley, and Jozy Altidor combining with older hands like Landon Donovan, Tim Howard, and Clint Dempsey, the U.S. team is again making progress.

So far this year, the United States has been trying to qualify for the 2010 World Cup, which will take place in South Africa next summer. The U.S. has two games left in which they must gain a total of three points against Honduras and

Costa Rica to book their place in the world's greatest sporting event. But how have they gotten here?

The U.S. began qualifying in June of 2008 against Barbados, destroying them 8-0. Their next match came against Guatemala two months later, with the U.S. winning 1-0.

September saw the US win 1-0 against Cuba and 3-0 against Trinidad and Tobago. But October would feature its first stumbling block, as the U.S. fell to Trinidad and Tobago 2-1 after defeating Cuba

6-1 earlier in the month. November was better for the U.S., as they defeated Guatemala 2-0.

2009 has been rougher for the U.S. men, as they opened up with a solid 2-0 victory over archrival Mexico, but then drew with El Salvador. After beating Trinidad and Tobago, the US has steadily moved closer to qualifying.

With a win on Oct. 10 against Honduras, the tickets will be punched, and the dream of winning a world cup will burn brighter than ever before.

Sea Gulls fly to overtime win against Mary Washington

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

Christina Eury had been searching for a goal for quite some time. On Saturday afternoon, she finally found one, as Salisbury defeated Mary Washington 2-1 in an overtime thriller.

"It was a big win," said Head Coach Jim Nestor. "Both teams were undefeated in the CAC, and it puts us right where we need to be."

The Sea Gulls opened up play keeping possession, with Mary Washington chasing the game. Eury provided the first goal-scoring opportunity, but was stopped after she committed a foul. A few moments later, Salisbury wove the ball up the field with excellent passing, but again failed to capitalize.

In the 37th minute, UMW's Bridget Dooley put her team in front with an unassisted effort. Her shot was a rocket from the middle of the field, with keeper Samantha Kaufman tipping it into the net.

At the 40th minute, senior defender Hillary Grove channeled her inner David Beckham and curled a free kick around the UMW wall, surprising the keeper and putting the Sea Gulls back into the game.

"I saw the wall, and then saw that the keeper wasn't paying attention,

so I just went for it," said Grove.

"We had been practicing those, and that was my opportunity, so I took it."

Sophomore midfielder Mara Hauf played a game to remember as she was all over the field, interrupting UMW's opportunities and setting up her own teammates.

"As a team we played well," Hauf said. "We moved the ball well, changed the point of attack, and also won a lot of 50/50 balls in the mid-field. The team stepped up today."

Both Salisbury and Mary Washington played well in the second half, with both teams setting up multiple scoring chances. Eury had the best chance of the second half, but failed to convert. However, she would not be denied in the overtime period. With golden-goal rules in effect, Eury headed the ball into the net, giving Salisbury a huge win.

Grove described her feeling after the game as ecstatic. "Coming in, we knew they were ahead of us in the standings, so we had to win."



Junior defender Corrin Marrazzo and teammates celebrate after a Salisbury goal. Christina Eury scored the game winning goal in OT.



Dan Anderson photo

Junior forward Ben DeLisle tip-toes the sideline on Wednesday afternoon. Salisbury would score two goals in the final ten minutes.

Soccer nets two late goals to beat Wesley

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

It was a cloudy, crisp Wednesday afternoon. The Salisbury men's soccer team (8-1-1) had fallen behind early to Wesley College after Wolverine Nico Scarpato scored in the 12th minute of play.

SU dominated the game in nearly every category, outshooting Wesley 26-4, but the Gulls could not find the back of the net.

A Wolverine yellow card in the 25th minute gave Salisbury a free kick deep in Wesley territory but on the ensuing kick, Sea Gull Dave Corrigan fired a shot off a missed header off the crossbar.

Senior forward Nick Malone then ripped a shot wide right. Corrigan narrowly missed a header to the top left corner of the goal shortly after. Senior midfielder Alex Hargrove soared a shot over an open goal in the second half and the missed opportunities continued to mount. Salisbury could not buy a goal against the Wolverines.

The clouds covered the sky. The Gulls still dominated possession in the second half, attacking the Wesley goal at every opportunity, forcing the Wolverine goalkeeper, Nick

Talarico, to make nine saves in the match. Talarico made two critical stops on quality SU shots on goal and time was winding down.

Finally, Malone broke towards the goal, a Wesley defender pulling at his jersey, and deflected the bobbled ball past Talarico and into the back of the net to tie the game at 1-1 in the 81st minute of play.

A light rain started to come down in the final minutes of play, but Salisbury was undeterred. The Sea Gulls kept attacking the Wolverine net, refusing to settle for a second-straight tie.

Then, freshman midfielder Jimmy Mundy crossed the ball near the top of the box. Talarico came out to break up the play but the ball bounced past him. Without hesitation senior midfielder Kyle Sterling streaked past Talarico's outstretched arms and struck the ball firmly into the open net for his eighth goal of the season and the Sea Gull lead, 2-1, in the 87th minute of play.

SU ran out the clock on the Wolverines for the remaining minutes and walked off the soaked field with a hard-fought victory.

The physical game featured 38 fouls and three yellow cards.

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Men's Soccer

The No. 20 men's soccer team (8-2-1, 2-0-1 CAC) fell to Lynchburg on Saturday 2-1.

The Hornets (9-1-1) took an early 1-0 lead on a goal in just the fourth minute of play. The Sea Gulls came back just before the half with a goal from sophomore Morgan Hunt and the teams headed into the locker room notched at one.

The Gulls held a 15-6 edge over the Hornets on shots and an 8-1 advantage on corner kicks, yet it was Lynchburg who found the back of the net as Hornet midfielder Pat Brown netted the game-winner with less than five minutes to play.

Cross Country

On Friday afternoon the men's cross country team placed second out of 29 competing teams in the Paul Short Invitational, while the women's team finished 13th out of 32 teams. The men finished just six points shy of the event's winner, Mary Washington. Junior Chris Barnard led the way for the Gulls with a time of 26:22, good enough for tenth place overall as sophomore Kristin Stromberg, who finished 33rd in a time of 24:01, led the way for the women. The course that the Sea Gulls ran on Friday is the same course that will be used for the NCAA Mid-east Regional on Nov. 14.

Field Hockey

The field hockey team defeated CAC rival York (Pa.) College 2-1 on Saturday.

The Sea Gulls (10-1, 3-0 CAC) out shot York 19-1 with 14 shots on goal. Salisbury fell down early on a goal by York's Katie Dawkins in the first minute of play. SU battled back as senior forward Lauren Correl scored the Sea Gull's first goal in ninth minute. Junior back Katie Fost then gave SU the lead with a goal in the 18th minute to put the Gulls up 2-1.

The Sea Gull defense was strong all day, holding the Spartans scoreless in the second half, giving SU the victory.

Volleyball

On Tuesday night, the volleyball team defeated Marymount University in four sets.

After dropping the first set 21-25, the Sea Gulls rallied back to dominate each remaining set more than the previous with scores of 25-16, 25-12, and 25-8.

The Sea Gulls (17-2) then defeated Wesley in straight sets, 3-0.

Lexy Fitzkee, Nicole Massarelli, Rachel Downes, and Kelly Williams each recorded five kills in the game.

Senior libero Gabby Long served the final 12 points of the match, during which she recorded five of her team-high six aces.



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